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Resolutions adopted by APME and NNA

Resolutions, covering a range of subjects affecting newspapers, were adopted recently by the Associated Press Managing Editors' Association and the National Newspaper Association at their respective annual meetings.

APME resolutions:

CIA Practices

Resolved, the Associated Press Managing Editors' Association:

1. Condemns the Central Intelligence Agency's past use of foreign and domestic newsmen to gather information and intelligence.

2. Urges an immediate halt to all such activities, wherever they may exist.

3. Calls upon the CIA to give public assurances that the practice has been halted; and, should CIA officials not respond, urges the Congress or the President to make such prohibitions mandatory.

4. Recognizes that CIA links with newsmen were a two-way street, and equally condemns newsmen who were "used" by the CIA.

5. Reaffirms its belief that the credibility of the nation's free press rests upon

its absolute freedom from governmental interference.

Privacy

Whereas privacy laws and freedom of information often appear to be on a collision course, be it resolved that the Associated Press Managing Editors' Association urges its membership to:

Be watchdogs of all privacy acts being considered within their states and elsewhere in the United States.

Vigorously resist any efforts to close to the press those records and meetings which have always been public and to which the public is entitled to access.

Special Perks

Resolved, that the Associated Press Managing Editors' Association is opposed to the acceptance by the press of special privileges and perquisites from federal, state or local governments. We urge newspapers and wire services to pay their own way to avoid even the appearance of accepting favors from any government body.

Convention Costs

Resolved, that the board of directors

APME (Associated Press Managing Editors' Association)
CIA 3.013 Journalists
CPA NNA (National Newspaper Association)
of the Associated Press Managing Editors' Association adopts the following policy:

1. It shall be the goal of APME to be financially independent in conducting its conventions.

2. Convention hosts may sponsor events or other entertainment if they wish. However, this is not a requirement.

3. The convention costs of APME shall be met through convention registration fees and other convention income.

4. This policy statement shall be flexible so that the needs of the membership will be met at all times.

Free Convention

Resolved, that the Associated Press Managing Editors' Association actively supports the Newspaper Food Editors and Writers Association's decision to establish its own annual professional conference or convention, free from commercial involvement by the food industry.

Stylebook Praised

Resolved, that the Associated Press Managing Editors' Association thanks all members of the Associated Press staff and of APME whose input resulted in the outstanding new AP stylebook and libel-and-privacy manual.

NNA resolutions:

WHEREAS it is statistically true that more than one-half of the world's people are being deprived of freedom of the press; and

WHEREAS Freedom of the Press and freedom of public information are given priority as the first human right in our Constitutional Bill of Rights; and

WHEREAS the present administration at Washington has committed itself and the country to a policy of insuring the revival of human rights throughout the world

BE IT RESOLVED that the National Newspaper Association respectfully request the Department of State to give first priority in the presentation to the countries of the world of the cause of human rights the cause of the right of all peoples to a free press, free discussion and freedom of information particularly in view of the recent muffling of *The World* of Johannesburg, South Africa.